

ABSTRACT

A coupler includes a coupler member having two ears extended outward to form a channel between the ears, each of the ears includes an orifice, a lever includes one end received in the channel of the coupler member, and has an aperture for aligning with the orifices of the ears. An integral one-piece locking pin is engaged through the orifices of the ears and engaged through the aperture of the lever, to pivotally secure the lever to the ears, the locking pin includes one end having a head to engage with one of the ears, and an opening formed in the other end and defined by a peripheral wall. The peripheral wall of the locking pin will be expanded and deformed radially outward to engage with the other ear, to solidly secure the locking pin to the ears, and to rotatably secure the lever to the coupler member.